the service, as is required by the following provision of the act of Congress, aped April 1, 1909; The establishment of a civil pension

The establishment of a civil pension roll or an honorable service roll, or the exemption of any of the officers, clerks and persons in the postal service from the existing laws respecting employment in such service is hereby prohibited.

"I do not know, save from hearsay, the number of former soldiers involved in these separations, but I have been informed that of the fifty-one employes separated or demoted, nine were Union and one Confederate war veterans. Of the twenty-one persons separated from the service, one ta Union war vetthe service, one (a Union war vet-) was totally deaf, and every direcfrom the service, one to Union war veteran) was totally deaf, and every direction given him had to be in writing; one, a woman, had never recovered from a stroke of apopiexy, but had been kept on the rolls nearly a year, although unable to do more than the simplest desk work that required the services of another employe in constant supervision; two others, also Union war veterans, had afflictions of the mouth, commonly believed and feared by other employes to be malignant cancers, and to be a be malignant cancers, and to be menace to their associates and to the ipients of mail: while several others city as to either render their ser ces nil, or require constant supervision.

One of the war veterans whose affliction

of the mouth is feared to be malignant
ancer handled incoming letter mail for cancer handled incoming letter mail for the Washington public, while the other, with an apparently like affliction, handled mail for members of the House of Repre-sentatives and United States senators.

#### Says Service Was Top-Heavy.

When I assumed charge of the Wash igton post office, April 1, 1914, I entered pon the work with a mind free from office or its administrative methods. However, in the councils with my superever, in the councils with my supervisory officials. I speedily became aware of an intolerable situation in the office. I found that the service was top-heavy in the matter of the lighter desk and window work, and that the public interest demanded a strengthening of the distribution service, on which rests the whole intricate and responsible scheme of dispatch and delivery of the mails. The civil service system has been enforced long enough to fill the office with elderly employes, particularly men too old to memorize the complex and ever-changing schemes of routing and distributing the mail, in addition, there had been unloaded on the Washington post office in a long course of years.

Notwithstanding the million of the United States statutes against keeping of the government pay rolls uscless, inefficient, or incapacitated employes, a desperate effort had been made to take carof those employes in some manner, with the result that all kinds of needless cleri cal or window jobs were created for then either in the main office or outlying sta-tions. Some of these persons were given baldest pretenses at earning their ries, ranging from \$720 to \$1,800 a

salaries, ranging from \$720 to \$1,500 a year-mostly at \$1,200 a year.

"Although there was employed a sufficient force of unskilled lahorers, one aged man was assigned to picking up scraps of paper on the post office sidewalk. For eight hours a day of this character of service he was drawing a salary of \$720 a year. He was given a rating of \$2.5 per cent. Two men were "pensioned" at \$900 a year each, watching the messengers, in a closed-in room, awaiting their turns to take out special-delivery letters.

#### Doing Children's Work.

A number of men were employed at the 'cutting table' at a salary of \$100 per month each. Their duty was to cut open small packages of letters Others were given employment at the 'facing table,' at a salary of \$100 per month. All they had to do was to ar-range the letters on a table with the address sides facing in one direction and separating the long from the short envelopes. Any boy or girl could do the work at either the "facing table" "cutting table." yet for eight hours day of this character of work these a day of this character of work these men were receiving each a salary—sub-stantially a pension—of \$1.200 a year. "This is the salary paid expert dis-tributors for the most trying work in the postal service, and to earn which these on these tables at \$1,200 a year were the service. All four men were Union war veterans. The services of all these men were unnecessary, as the work is easily absorbed by the regular force in the slack time. In addition, other places were created—equally unnecessary, equal-ly simple and equally well paid. Every device within the broadest interpretation of the law was resorted to in an effort of the law was resorted to in an effort to keep aged or politically protected em-ployes on the pay roll.
"In the meantime there was a constant

"In the meantime there was a constant strain on the distribution service, which needed keeping up to the highest pitch of efficiency, because of the steady growth of the mails and the great strides made by the parcel post. There were 1.097 employes on the pay roll of the Washington post office. Its quota was full. Under the post office appropriation act the Post Office Department could not allot to the Washington office the additional men so sorely needed in the handling of the needed in the handling of the mails. Every unexpected important rush of mail necessitated the employment of extra men, or overtime, until this overtime and extra service has reached the sum of \$20,000 a year for the Washington office. Yet here were men in the important operating divisions of the office doing practically children's work for salaries of \$1,200 a year, who by their retention in the service were preventing the employment of young and active men for the swift and complex work involved in the movement of mail matter.

#### Between Two Fires.

'On the one hand was the public and tled to an exacting and expeditious handling of their mail, and on the other was the department requiring that the Washington office keep expenditures within the sum available for its operation. At the same time, the supervising heads, who were in no way responsible for this state of affairs in the office, were clamoring for relief from a condition that not only was intolerable, but constantly was grow-

ing worse.

With the consent of the department indertook to give that relief, and am giving it, by the introduction of such simple business methods as it is obvious that this particular situation required. "The plan of reorganizing the operating force of the office on a rational basis, as is now being carried out constitution."

force of the office on a rational basis, as is now being carried out, consists of elimi-nating all employes whose services are not necessary, or whose work can be more expeditiously and intelligently performed by efficient men. Under the head of unby efficient men. Under the head of unnecessary employes come those whose work can be absorbed with ease by the large force always available in the slack time in the office. This includes those who have resigned, or have been dropped because their infirmity or incapacity has permitted them to do but a limited range of the exacting work involved in handling the mails; also, men and women assigned to window or deak work, not because they were needed, but because places had to be found for them to keep them on the government pay roll.

"There has also been undertaken a readjustment of salaries commensurate with the character of work performed, and this has resulted in the recommendation of a number of decreases as well as increases of salary.

"The system of rating has been im-

The system of rating has been improved, the rating now being broken up into the several elements that enter into an employe's standing. As a result, an employe's rating hereafter will reflect his value to the postal service as well as his regularity of attendance and proficiency in the particular task on which he is

#### Improving the Service.

By this course of administration we are beginning to live with greater efficiency within the allotments that the post office appropriation act makes possible for this office. At the same time we have been able to steadily improve the post office service to the people. Since April 1, we have added carriers and wagons for the delivery service: we have evtended the territory for the five-trip business delivery; we have vastly improved the mail collections, and are building up and strengthening the distribution service of the office.

The the conduct of this reorganization, with the conduct of this reorganization, which was of a painwithin the allotments that the post office

ful nature. I have had the loyal and unselfish support of the supervisory heads of the office.

"I will add that in the light of the provision of the law which reads: "The establishment of a civil pension roll, or an honorable service roll, or the exemption of any of the officers, clerks and persons in the postal service from the existing laws respecting employment in such service is hereby prohibited." I could not possibly take into consideration the personal fortunes of those who, unfortunately, had to be separated from the service. To have done so would have made it impossible to carry out this reorganization, which has been undertaken solely for the double purpose of rendering greater efficiency to the public and of bringing the service within the letter and intent of the law."

The letters of the Postmaster General and of Postmaster Praeger were ordered printed in the Congressional Record. Senator Stone of Missouri gave notice that he intended to address the Senate on the report tomorrow if opportunity arose. The report was allowed, therefore, to lie on the Vice President's table, with the idea that final disposition would be made later.

## TO PROTEST AGAINST G. A. R. DISMISSALS

Resolution to Be Adopted at New Willard Mass Meeting Tonight.

Those in charge of arrangements for

mass meeting in aid of G. A. R. men disfrom government service an nounced today that a resolution will be introduced and passed at the meeting dealing with national political matters. The meeting is to be held at the New Willard Hotel at 8 o'clock tonight. It will take place in the red parlor, and it is announced that not only G. A. R. men. out the general public, will be welcome. There will be several speakers, includne Senator Smoot Senator Jones Repreentative Willis and Representative Fess None of the promoters cared today, in advance of its passage, to make publihe language of the resolution, but it was said that the resolution and the publicity

throughout the country that would be

given it are expected to have an effect on

the coming fall congressional elections.

Kahn Criticises the Administration

Representative Julius Kahn of Cali fornia delivered an address vesterday at nemorial exercises held in the rotunda o the Capitol before the statue of Gen Grant. in which he took occasion to criticise the administration for its so called unfriendly attitude toward vet-erans of the Grand Army of the Re-

rans of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The exercises were held under the auspices of U. S. Grant Circle, Ladies of the G. A. R. Rev. Hinton V. Howlett also delivered a speech along the lines suggested by Representative Kahn. Rev. A. H. Thompson delivered the invocation. Patriotic Instructor Dora J. Hendrix, a member of the circle, presided and introduced the president of the organization. Mrs. Rose M. Sefton, who laid a floral wreath at the base of the statue. Miss Pearl Grigsby sang "The Star Spangled Banner" as a solo, the audience joining in the chorus. ing in the chorus

#### Says Action Will Be Resented.

Representative Kahn said, in part: "The dismissed G. A. R. veteran ave grown old and weary in the covernment service. Is that a fault? Has old oge grown to be a crime? Some men, clothed with a little brief authority, would make it so. But their action will be resented, as it should be, by the citizens of this government.

"The few dollars saved as the result of the discharge of these aged men probably will be squandered in some less deserving cause. But how can you assuage the grief, the pain that must come to these old veterans when they are told that this great American commonwealth which they helped save must throw them adrift in their declining days, in order to make room for younger men? Many of them will have crossed over to the silent majority by the time the next Decoration day rolls around.

"Then we will place flowers upon the little mounds of earth which cover them. Oh, for the love of our country, for the love of humanity, for the love of God Himself, let us promptly undo the wrong which has been done them." by the citizens of this government.

#### NORTHEAST RESIDENTS TO PROTEST SALOONS

Waugh M. E. Church to Be the Scene of a Mass Meeting This Evening.

Protest meeting of the residents Cortheast Washington against granting a saloon license on East Capitol street is to be held in Waugh Methodist Episcopal Church, 3d and A streets northeast, this evening at 8 o'clock

At this meeting petitions signed by more than 200 residents of East Capito street and side streets between the Capitol and Lincoln Park and by more than 200 young women who pass through East Capitol street on their way to and from

work are to be presented Those who have called the meeting state specifically that it is not in the na-ture of an anti-saloon meeting, but is in protest against allowing stores to invade ne of the best residential streets of the National Capital

They point to the approach to th navy yard as an example of what may be expected if business is allowed to in-trude upon the residential section. trude upon the residential section.
Resolutions are to be proposed to be laid before the excise board, the board of Commissioners and Congress, if necessary, to preserve East Capitol street free from the influence of saloons or other

places of business.

At the meeting tonight Rev. Arthur H. Thompson, pastor of Waugh Church, is to preside, and the following have consented to speak: Senator Knute Nelson of Minnesota; Representatives Addison T. Smith of Idaho, Courtney W. Hamlin of Missouri, Richmond Pearson Hobson of Alabama, Horace M. Towner of Iowa and Henry P. Blair, president of the board of education.

#### READY FOR BUSINESS.

King's Daughters' Convention at De troit Opens Regular Program.

DETROIT, Mich, June 1.-After two days of preliminary work delegates at ending the second general convention of the International Order of the King' Daughters were ready today to settle down to the transaction of business The program outlined for the first see sion called for the presentation of of ficers' reports, announcement of commit-tees and the discussion of constitutions. mendments and resolutions.

Topics to be discussed at the afternoon ession were "How to Extend the Work of the Order" and "The Silver Cross Magazine."

Tonight there will be informal ballotng for nominations for officers. The

Child Killed in Auto Plunge.

RICHWOOD, W. Va., June 1 .- Samu lard Hains and Mrs. Susan Fox fatally injured when the Hains automobile went over a high embankment here to other persons were serious

# ALDIS B. BROWNE DIES AT HIS HOME

Widely Known Member of Local Bar Succumbs to Bright's Disease.

ILL FOR YEAR AND HALF; **DEATH NOT UNEXPECTED** 

Prominent in Numerous Organizations in the City and Deeply Interested in Charities.



ALDIS B. BROWNE.

Aldis Birdsey Browne, one of the nost widely known and highly regarded citizens of Washington, died at his

known. He was held in the highest steem by fellow-citizens in Washington for his deep and practical interest in charitable matters here, as well as among Methodists throughout the country, by reason of the fact that he was chalrman of the board of trustees of the American University, whose doors

were thrown open to the public last Wednesday. Mr. Browne's death, which was caused by Bright's disease, was not unexpected, and his entire family was gathered at his bedside when the end came. The disease first attacked him in Feb

The disease first attacked him in February, 1913, although he recovered sufficiently to permit him to spent two months in England last summer. He returned to Washington greatly benefited, and it was thought that he was out of danger, but there was a recurrence of the attack in February of this year, and he has been ill at his home constantly since then. The last time he was out of the house was on February 23, when he attended a meeting of the Washington National Monument Society, of which he was treasurer, at the residence of Theodore W. Noyes. Mr. Browne was confined to

by Dr. Franklin Hamilton, chancelled by the American University, who is in of the American University, who is in of the American University, who is in Washington, and by Rev. William R. Wedderspoon, pastor of the Foundry M. E. Church, of which Mr. Browne was a member and a trustee. Interment will probably take place in Rock Creek cemetery. The list of pallbearers will be completed tonight.

Mr. Browne is survived by Mrs. Browne is survived by Mrs. Browne, who was Miss Mary Barry Delehay of Washington, whom he married December 1, 1880, and by five sons and two daughters, as follows: Evans Browne, attorney at law, who was his father's partner; Alexander Britton Browne, member of the real estate firm of Hagner & Co.; Aldis J. Browne, real estate broker, Chicago; Jesse D. Browne, building constructor, Providence, R. I.; Arthur Browne, with Hagner & Co.; Mrs. J. F. Comer of Georgia, a daughter who married the son of the governor of that state, and Miss Mary Browne.

Forty-three years ago, when he was but

### Deeply Interested in Charities.

Mr. Browne was a member of the Oldest Inhabitants Association of the District of Columbia, and formerly vice president of the Board of Trade. He mer Washington Man. was vice chairman of the committee on municipal finance of the latter organization, as well as a director of it and had his health permitted he would

He was a member of the executive friends of his youth.

He was a member of the executive committee of the American Bar Association, composed of the foremost lawyers of the United States.

He had practiced for a long while in cases of national importance before the bar of the Supreme Court of the United States. He was a member of the Dis-

country.

He had had the widest sort of an ac-He had had the widest sort of an acquaintance at the Capitol for the past twenty-five years. He enjoyed an intimate acquaintance and friendship with the late David Bennett Hill, with the late Senator Ingalis of Kansas, with the late Senator Sawyer of Wisconsin, with the late Chief Justice Harfan of the Supreme Court of the United States, and many other prominent men who have passed away, as well as almost all of the prominent men of today.

The will, which left all the promity to the family, was probated washington, August 23, 1912.

Washington Students Join Frats Special Dispatch to The Star.

MADISON, Wis., June 1.—The m successful year for the Greek letter for the prominent men of today.

#### Member of Georgetown Faculty.

Mr. Browne was also a member of the faculty of Georgetown Law School. He graduated from Columbian (now George washington) University in 1879. He was a trustee of the Woman's College of Bala trustee of the Woman's College of Baltimore. He was a member of the National Geographic Society, of the Lawyers' Club of New York and of the Republican Club of New York, having been a republican in national politics. In Washington he was a member of the Metropolitan Club, the Cosmos Club, the University Club and the Chevy Chase Club.

Mr. Browne was to have presided last

Wednesday at the opening of the new Methodist institution of learning known as the American University, at Nebraska avenue and Loughborough road, at which President Wilson and other prominent men spoke spoke.
was too ill to attend the exercises

He was too ill to attend the exercises, and because of his zeal and valuable efforts for the institution, as chairman of the board of trustees, a number of the speakers during the exercises highly lauded him. Evans Browne, his son, said today that much of his father's attention during his last days was devoted to subjects connected with the new university, for which applications have already been received from 1.500 students, and that he greatly regretted his inability to be present at Wednesday's formal opening.

As the news of Mr. Browne's death spread around Washington today a constant procession of carriages came to his late residence, bringing prominent men and women of Washington to express to Mrs. Browne and the members of her family the esteem and high regard in which her husband has been held by the community.

# PERIOD FOR APPEAL IS ENDED TODAY

Assessor Closes Books at 4 O'Clock This Afternoon. Thousands Protest.

Final protests against increases carried in the new triennial assessment of property in the District of Columbia today were filed with the board of

equalization and review.

At 4 o'clock this afternoon the books showing the ratings will be closed thereby bringing to an end the busiest appeal period in the history of the asessor's office of the District. Assessor William P Richards and the

nembers of the board will devote practically all of the present month to conidering the complaints received. While it is anticipated that reductions will be made in many instances, there are abundant grounds for believing that the final crease to be shown on business, resi-ntial and suburban property will ap-oximate \$40,000,000.

#### Protests Break All Records.

The number of protests received easily roke all records. Ten thousand appeal blanks were given out on application. while hundreds of oral appeals were con sidered.

Assessor Richards attributes the show-ing to newspaper publicity, pointing out that owners who failed to appeal by today would be taxed on the basis of the assessment for the next three home, 1855 Wyoming avenue northwest, last night, at a few minutes before 12 o'clock.

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them.

The possibility of a misunderstanding

#### Thousands Received Daily.

For more than a week the assessor and nis assistants did a rushing business. Every available clerk was pressed into ervice, but even then it was necessary for inquirers to stand in line several minutes before they could obtain the minutes before they could obtain the information they sought. It is estimated that during this period a thousand or more taxpayers were received daily.

A let-up in the rush'ewas noticed last Thursday and Friday, while only a few persons called today to inspect the books. It is believed that all those who are disastisfied with the increased ratings have had sufficient onportunity to file protests. ad sufficient opportunity to file protests zation and review will begin considera

tion of the appeals, and expects to dispose of them at the rate of not less than 100 a day.

Born in Washington December 11, 1857, he was consequently fifty-seven years old. He will be buried from his residence Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Bishop Earl Cranson, senior bishop of the Methodist Church, will conduct the funeral services, assisted by Dr. Franklin Hamilton, chancellor of the American University, who is in Washington December 10, 100 a day.

All payments of taxes at the District building today were made subject to a 1 per cent penalty in accordance with law. Archbishop Bonzano delivered the sermon, which was a piea for more earnest open the senders will escape payments of interest on them. It will be a week or the days before the exact amount of May's tax collections can be ascertained.

TO DE VENTURY SENATOR

### TO BE KENTUCKY SENATOR.

have ended.

Browne.
Forty-three years ago, when he was but fourteen years old, Aldis B. Browne left the public and private schools of Washington to enter the law firm of Britton & Gray as an office boy, and he remained connected with that firm all his life, at the time of his death being the senior partner. He was the son of Jerome and Mary Elizabeth Browne, the latter having been Miss Padgett, and except for occasional trips out of town, he had been a life-long resident of Washington.

Six-year term of Schaulo Brake, wont of the Long. Former Gov. J. C. W. Beckham, Gen. Bennett H. Young, commander-in-chief of the United Condectare Veterans, and former Representative Smith, it is said, also will be candidates for the long and short terms. Candidates will be nominated at the primaries in August.

Mr. Camden is a noted horse breeder. He is the son of the late United States Senator Johnson N. Camden of West Virginia.

#### FUSSELL CASE IN COURT.

NEW YORK, June 1 .- There will be a hearing in the surrogate's court June 5 to determine the residence of Jacob Fussell, who made a fortune in ice and had his health permitted he would have been president of it this year. He was a member of the board of governors of Foundling Hospital, deeply interested in the Gospel Mission and connected in some useful capacity with many of the principal charities, as well as a number not wil known, in Wash-

claim was set up that his home was in Washington, and that in consequence his property was not subject to a death tax in this state. Thomas E. Rush. counsel for the state controller, in trict of Columbia committee on uniform counsei for the state controller, instate legislation, a work of revision and sisted upon having the matter decided by the courts and refused to walve any ing attorneys in all the states of the decision had been given.

The will, which left all the prop-

### Washington Students Join Frats.

MADISON. Wis., June 1.-The mos successful year for the Greek letter fra-ternities in the state university was in-dicated today, when the rushing season ended, with the announcement of the names of the freshmen pledged to join successful year for the Greek letter franames of the freshmen pledged to join the various frats next fall. Three hundred pledges were made public this afternoon. In the list are the following from Washington: Alpha Delta Theta, Robert Bradley: Zeta Psi, Hayward Siddons.

### CARRANZA'S STATUS | LINCOLN HIGHWAY PLEA HEARD BY PRESIDENT TO CLASS OF GRADUATES STILL IS UNSETTLED

Admittance of Constitutionalists to Mediation Conference Being Discussed.

AMERICAN DELEGATES ARE "QUITE HOPEFUL"

Rebels Must Agree to Armistice With Huerta and Discuss Internal Phases of Situation

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., June 1.-After two-hour conference today between the mediators on the Mexican situaion and the American delegates, the question of admitting the constitutionalists into the negotiations for the set tlement of the Mexican problem still was undecided.

It was learned, however, that the de sire of the United States to have the constitutionalists heard before a final greement is signed here has impressed the three mediators and they are tak ing a more favorable view of it. After today's conference Justice La

nar dictated the following statement 'We had a conference this morning. in

"We had a conference this morning, in which we continued the discussion of a point on which we had not agreed Saturday. The matter is still under discussion; but we found in our talk this morning that we were not so far apart in our construction of certain phases and we are still quite hopeful."

The mediators have taken the position that they will admit the constitutionalists if they are ready to agree to an armistice with Huerta and will come prepared to discuss internal as well as international phases of the situation. Although the latest note from Carranza did not make clear his attitude with respect to these points, it was underdid not make clear his attitude with respect to these points, it was understood that the Washington government had obtained since then more information about the attitude of the constitutionalists' chief, which had been laid before the mediators.

U. S. Delegates Get Long Message. The American delegates were delayed in reaching the Canadian side by the re celpt of a long cipher message from Washington in relation to constitutionalist representation. The American dele gates, it was reported, would await the

gates, it was reported, would await the decision of the mediators on this point before delivering the Washington government's answer to the sentials of the peace plan previously outlined.

The Mexican delegates also received a long message today from their government, in which Gen. Huerta was understood to have given his views on proposals already made and to have added other suggestions. These may be in the form of counter proposals.

The Mexican delegates had reported to Mexico City the situation brought about by the injection of the constitutionalist phase in the negotiations.

### CONFIRMATION SERVICE.

Archbishop Bonzano Officiates at St Joseph's Church.

Confirmation services were held yesterday at St. Joseph's Church, Archbishop Bonzano officiating. Two hundred and twenty-eight children and thirty-two adults were confirmed. Archbishop Bonzano was assisted by Mgr. Mackin of St. Paul's, Mgr. Lee of St. Matthew's, the Rev. Father Lyons of the Paulist House, the Rev. Dr. De Vane of the Catholic University, the Rev. Valentine F. Schmidt and the Rev. William Cahill of St. Jo

#### WANTS MILITANT CHRISTIANS.

Mrs. Booth-Clibborn Deplores Lack of Religious Aggressiveness.

Deploring the lack of militancy on the part of modern Christians, Mrs. Booth-Clibborn, British evangelist and daughter of the founder of the Salvation Army, speaking at the Y. M. C. A. last night, declared:

"I wish that Christians were like th anarchists, for they at least have the truth of their gospel at heart; they give up their lives in the service they have undertaken, and that is what Christians should do.

should do."

Mrs. Booth-Cilbborn held her last meeting in Washington this afternoon in the Foundry Methodist Church, for women only, her subject being "The Glory of Motherhood and the Training of Chil-

#### MRS. M. K. SCHAEFER DEAD. Funeral This Morning From St. Mray's Catholic Church.

Mrs. Mary Katherine Schaefer, widow of Peter Schaefer, died Friday at her residence, 511 L street northwest, after an illness of five days. Funeral services were held at 9 o'clock this morning at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 5th street between G and H streets northwest Mass was said by Rev. Father Roth, pastor of the church. Interment was in St. Mary's cemetery. The pallbearers were Robert Berberich

sr.; George Arann, George Barger, Charles Specht, William Neuland and dence at 38 East 28th street in this city for forty-five years, he spent much of his time in Washington among the friends of his youth.

When Mr. Fussell's estate went into the hands of the tax appraisers the children, survive her.

> Howard University Commencement. President S. M. Newman of Howard delivered the baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class yesterday loday the normal training class is to hold class-day exercises. Secretary Bryan of the State Department is to deliver the principal address at the commencement exercises of the institution Wednesday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock.

### Degree for German Ambassador. BALTIMORE, Md., June 1 .- Count J. von Bernstorff, the German ambassa-

at his residence, 1827 Lamont street Fire Threatens State Forestry. SYRACUSE, N. Y., June 1.-A special from Tupper Lake in the Adirondacks says a forest fire is threatening the state forestry plantations in the vicinity of Cross clearing. The fire has already Cross clearing. The fire has a swent over about 300 acres of land

# Dy Mgr. Bonzano, apostolic delegate. The address to, Mgr. Bonzano was delivered by Miss Edelin Wilson of Washington, following the opening musical number—the march from the wedding of Camacho, by Mendelssohn—played by Misses Alma Gelst, Edith Heiskell, Philomena Morgan and Helen Simpson, pianos, and Misses Julia Sullivan, Helene Smith and Carolyn O'Rourke violine. and Misses Julia Sullivan, Helene Smith and Carolyn O'Rourke, violins. A double quartet composed of Misses Josephine Palms, Edelin Wilson, Alma Geist, Agnes O'Gorman, Lulu Black, Helen Shearan, Katherine Carroll, accompanied on harps by Misses Olive Kline, Mary Kane and on violin by Miss Julia Sullivan, sang the "Ecce Panis Angelorum" by Singenberger.

HONORS ARE AWARDED

Today at Convent of the Visitation.

Medals Presented by Mgr. Bonzano.

Miss Agnes O'Gorman Delivers

Salutatory Address.

Senator James A. O'Gorman was the

orator at the annual commencement exercises at the Convent of the Visi-

tation in Georgetown today, his daugh

of medals for excellence in studies and

Sympathizes With Baltimore and Senator O'Gorman Principal Orator

himself and the nation, and which is by Mgr. Bonsano, apostolic delegate.

Musical Numbers. A piano solo by Miss Lulu Black and a violin solo with harp accompaniment A by Miss Carolyn O'Rourke and Miss Olive Kline, preceded the presentation of medals and prizes.

The remainder of the musical program consisted of harp solo by Miss Kline: vocal quartet by Misses Elizabeth Camp-bell, Helen Simpson, Katherine Carroll and Carolyn O'Rourke; plano quartet by and Carolyn O'Rourke; piano quartet by Misses Philomena Morgan, Frances Viers, Edith Heiskell and Alice Laffey; vocal solo, Miss Campbell, and the closing chorus, participated in by Miss Simpson, soloist, with Miss Morgan at the piano, Misses Julia Sullivan, Helene Smith and O'Rourge, violins, and Misses Mary Kane and Dorothy Chisholm, harps.

The valedictory was by Miss Alma Geist.

The closing address by Senator O'Gorman was consideration of the serious

and closing address by Senator O'Gorman was consideration of the serious
duties of the life that is opening for the
members of the graduating class.

Members of the graduating class were:
Misses Margaret Edelin Wilson, Washington: Lulu Radeliffe Black, Atlanta, Ga.;
Josephine Dickson Palms, Detroit, Mich.;
Alma Marie Geist, Waynesboro, Pa.;
Agnes Katherine O'Gorman, New York.

#### Award of Honors. member of the graduating clas

eceived the graduation medal, other medals being awarded as follows: For deportment—Misses Edelin Wilson, Luia Black, Josephine Palms, Alma Geist and Agnes O'Gorman. Second senior class honors in scholar-ship and deportment—Misses Edith Hels-kell, Maryland; Rosalle Lloyd Matthews, Westbierten, Carplyn, O'Bourke, New

ship and deportment—Misses Edith Heiskell, Maryland; Rosalle Lloyd Matthews,
Washington; Carolyn O'Rourke, New
York; Julia Sullivan, Maryland; Katherine Carroll, West Virginia; Helen
Chapman, Washin,ton; Rosalind Caldwell, New York; Helen Simpson, Washington: Margaret Cray, Pennsylvania;
Nathalle Merceret, Maryland.
Prize medals were awarded as follows—For Christian doctrine, Miss Josephine Palms; belles lettres, Miss
Alma Geist; intellectual philosophy,
Miss Geist; science, Miss Lula Black;
moral philosophy, Miss O'Gorman; modern history, Miss Palms; ancient history, Miss Wilson; second senior class
medal for Christian doctrine, Miss
Heiskell; fourth senior class medal for
excellence, Miss Beatrice Sorokoumowsky. Washington; first intermediate class medal for Christian doctrine,
Miss Jane Mullin, Washington; grize
medal for algebra, Miss Sorokou wsky.
The appual meeting of the alumnae as-

The annual meeting of the alumnae as-sociation of the Convent of the Visita-tion is to be held tomorrow morning, fol-lowing which the alumnae are to be entertained at luncheon by the sisters. three-day retreat is to begin Wedness morning, conducted by Rev. William 8 gleton, S. J., of Philadelphia.

# JAPANESE CRUISERS ARRIVE.

The Asama and Azuma at Los Angeles on a Cruise. LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 1 .- The Jap anese cruisers Asama and Azuma, vet-erans of the Russian-Japanese war, arrived in Los Angeles harbor vesterday

welcomed by Y. Numano, Japanese consul general at San Francisco; representatives of the mayor and the chamber of commerce of Los Angeles and several thousand Japanese in decorated launches. A series of entertainments will be given to officers of the warships and next Friday the twin ships will leave for San

Thefts of \$46,000,000 were publicly reported, while insurance policies paid because of burglaries and other evidence of loss bring the total up to the first figure. Insufficient salaries are placed at the head of the causes for thefts from banks, commercial and public funds. Next under the head of causes is the careless of his animology and witness said he communi-pany, and witness said he communi-cated to Mr. Thomson the statements. It was to learn of the activities of this former agent, the defendant said this former agent, the defendant said the said many defalcations, according

#### SIX-WEEK STRIKE ENDS. 900 Rattan Factory Employes Vote

to Return to Work. WAKEFIELD, Mass., June 1.-The six

weeks' strike at the rattan factory of the Heywood Bros. and Wakefield Company is at an end, the 900 strikers having voted at a mass meeting to return to work Tuesday. The settlement, brought about through the efforts of the state board of conciliation and arbitration, provides for the appointment of committees to confer with the company on questions of hours of labor, overtime work and day, hour and piece work.

There has been much disorder about the works since the strike began. Heywood Bros. and Wakefield Company NEW YORK, June 1 .- John D. Rocke-

> Honored by Russian Red Cross. Maj. Harry L. Gilchrist, Medical Corps.

U. S. A., has been honored by the Rus-sian Red Cross Society for the exhibit

of appliances for taking care of the wounded which he made at the international meeting of the Red Cross in this city in 1912. That was done issuing to Maj. Gilchrist a diploma which sets forth that the appliances which he designed are superior to any that were feature of the exhibit was the new tent, which has been adopted by

# HOUSE EXEMPTS LABOR AS TRUST

Without Dissenting Vote It Adopts the Webb Amendment.

After two hours' discussion today the House adopted the Webb amendment to the anti-trust bill without a dissenting rote. The amendment provided that no labor or farmers' organization should be held to be a combination or conspirac; in restraint of trade. On a rising vote ter, Miss Agnes O'Gorman, one of the 207 members, all that were present, graduating class, delivering the class voted to write the amendment into the The annual presentation

Representative Webb, representing the deportment was also a feature of the first committee amendment, said he beexercises, the medals being presented lieved the provision complled with the declaration of the democratic platform. "We have embodied in this amendment the best legal opinions of the best judges in the United States." he said, and point-ed to a United States circuit court de-cision last Friday at Richmond, Va., which held trade unions legal under the

Sherman law.
Representative Henry named as those who conferred with him as to the framing of the amendments Representatives Kitchin, Hinebaugh, Graham of Illinois and Lewis of Maryland. Representative Murdock, the progressive leader, said that the meaning of the amendment was doubtful. "If this amendment really exempted "If this amendment really exempted labor unions from the provisions of the Sherman law." he said, "this is the end of one of the most notable legislative battles, but if it does not, we are enacting a legislative tragedy here today."

#### Reviews Fight Made by Labor.

Representative Murdock reviewed th forts of labor leaders to obtain exemption from the Sherman law, and said that Samuel Gompers and his lieutenants had "left no stone unturned" in their

tions and here at the Capitol."
"They have stood here for years struggling for this exemption," he said, "they have struck down party lines, have eliminated majorities in this House, and have even braved the veto of a President. They have penalized men who opposed them on this floor, in their own districts. They fought the powerful lobby of the National Association of Manufacturers."
The pending amendment, Mr. Murdock said, would send labor back to the courts to find out whether it was really exempt from the Sherman law. tions and here at the Capitol.

from the Sherman law.
"Eight of ten, or twelve years from now," he concluded, "the courts will decide what this amendment means." cide what this amendment means."

The House voted down, 51 to 98, an amendment proposed by Representative MacDonald of Michigan to make more definite the labor union exemption, and defeated 69 to 105 an amendment proposed by Representative Thomas of Kentucky, providing that the anti-trust laws shall not apply to such opganizations.

# SAYS WHITE HOUSE CAR TRAVELED 35-MILE CLIP

Constable Garrison Submits Speeding Incident to State

HYATTSVILLE, June 1. - Constable Thomas H. Garrison, who awoke vesteray morning to find himself a muchtalked-of individual on account of his naving held up the President's automobile here late Saturday evening, has placed the matter in the hands of State

Garrison claims that the machine con taining the President's daughter was traveling more than thirty-five miles a "Had the machine struck and injured ny one when exceeding the speed itmit any one when exceeding the speed limit the fact that it was the President's car would not have relieved the situation, and I would have been justly criticised for allowing an infraction of the law," said Garrison.

"Of course, I did not know it was the President's car, but if I had it would have been stopped just the same."

Garrison states he took the number of the car, and told Johnson, the driver, to be prepared to come to Hyattsville whenever summoned.

Automobile Commissioner Roe for such

Miss Wilson's Inquiry. J. Frank Lillard, a local attorney, was the only person to whom Miss Wils

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CASH LOST BY DEFALCATIONS.

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Surety Company Places Amount at \$40,000,000 for 1913.

NEW YORK, June 1.—A large surety company of this city in a report just made public places \$40,000,000 as a conservative estimate of the defalcations throughout the United States in 1913.

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### CAPTURES VESSEL WITH CARGO.

Rebel Tug Hercules Clears Mazatlan Harbor Under Fire. ON BOARD U. S. S. CALIFORNIA,

MAZATLAN, Mex., May 31 (via wireless to San Diego, Cal., June 1).—The onstitutionalist tug Hercules, emboldened by its successes under cover of darkness last night when provision barges were captured, entered Mazatlan harbor today and captured the schooner Garibaldi, which had a cargo of sugar for the United Sugar Company of Los Mochis.

As soon as the Hercules and her prize were clear of the American fleet in the narbor, the federal batteries opened fire with their heavy artillery, some of the shells falling close to the tug and the

captive schooner.

The Spanish consul at Mazatlan sent to the commander-in-chief of the American fleet today a formal expression of his thanks for the assistance that had been given Spanish subjects desiring to leave the west coast of Mexico.

Confederate Graves Decorated. NEW YORK, June 1.- The graves of

Confederate soldiers in Mount Hope cemetery at Hastings-on-the-Hudson. cemetery at Hastings-on-the-Hudson, around the Rouss memorial shaft, were decorated yesterday by a party of Confederate veterans and their friends who went from New York by special train. The oration was by Commander W. de H. Washington. Col. J. C. I. Hamilton of Lafayette Post, G. A. R. who has attended the exercises for twenty-five years, placed a wreath on the shaft.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., June 1.-Yielding to the contention of the ers that the operating companies

Falls 2,000 Feet to Death.

DENVER, Col., June 1.—Harry Bunkstrom, aeronaut, fell 2,000 feet to his agreement and reduced the number of contractions of the working strom. Inspector Boardman on Duty.

Inspector Robert H. Boardman, chief death here yesterday. A strap that connected his wrist with the parachute bar is believed to have broken when he cut duration prompted miners and operations optimistic police headquarters today.

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Mine Owners Sign Agreement.

The White House APR 4- 1999

other fire is raging at Blue Pond, about three miles north of Tupper Lake. This fire has traveled a mile. Large forces of the control of the

his life to prese ve. Asks Suggestion for Letter. The President requested his visitors to submit to him the letter they would like to write to the Lincoln memorial highway commission, with headquar ters in Detroit. If this letter suits him he will send it to the commission.

The delegation which called upon the President was presented by Senators Lee and Smith of Maryland, and comprised prominent Baltimore and Maryland by the senators of the senators with the senators of the senators and the senators when the senators are senators. and business men and a part of the ommittee of twenty-five named by the

D. C. Delegations for De-

tour of Route

President Wilson today gave encour-

gement to the argument of Maryland

and District of Columbia people that

the great Lincoln highway, to run from

New York to San Francisco, via Phila

delphia and Gettysburg, should make a detour from Philadelphia to Wash-

ington by way of Baltimore and from

The President sympathized with th

presentation of the views of the commit-

tee to the extent of approving the argu-

ment that a great national highway named for Lincoln would be inappropri-

ately named if it failed to take in Wash

ngton, where Lincoln made history for

today the capital of the nation he gave

ere to Gettysburg.

committee of twenty-five named by the commercial organizations of the District to take the matter up.

The District representatives were R. N. Harper, Isaac Gans, Joseph M. Stoddard and A. Leftwich Sinclair. A number of the visitors talked to the President of the project and urged that a Lincoln memorial highway would not be a rational affair withwould not be a national affair with out Washington being included. Will Cost Commission Little.

It has been pointed out that the au hority to mark the roads from here to Philadelphia and from here to Gettysburg will cost the commission

The Philadelphia to Washington road

little, if anything.

is practically completed and state au-thorities will bear the expense of com-pletion. From here to Gettysburg the states will furnish whatever money is states will furnish whatever money is necessary.

From the District line the road would follow certain streets to the great monument being erected in Potomac Park to the memory of Lincoln.

These streets, too, would be designated as the Lincoln highway. From the monument to the District line, on the way to Gettysburg, the streets would be similarly named.

ter they hope the President will sign They were much pleased with their visit and with Mr. Wilson's reception. Frame Urged for Reserve Board. Senator Stephenson asked President

named.
The visitors will at once prepare a let

Wilson today to appoint A. J. Frame, a national bank president of Waukesha Wis., to the federal reserve board, It was announced at the White House that appointments will not be agreed upon until the President has conferred further with Secretary McAdoo. ferred further with Secretary McAdoo.

Charles S. Hamlin, assistant secretary
of the Treasury, was being discussed today as a most likely choice of the President for governor of the federal reserve
board. No final decision will be reached
until the return of Secretary McAdoo
later this week. Mr. Hamlin is from
Boston and is being supported by a number of New England men. Col. W. A.
Gaston of Boston also has been considered.

Senator James Hamilton Lewis urge the President to give Chicago representa-tion upon the federal reserve board. The President assured the senator he was iving Chicago careful consideration

Discuss Colorado Troubles.

Colorado's hope of being able to settl ts strike troubles in the near future wa outlined to President Wilson today by Senator Thomas and Thomas B. Stearns president of the Denver Chamber of Comnerce. They discussed the work of the

Colorado legislative committee, seeking to bring the coal operators and strikers to a peaceful settlement.

While they said that several plans were being formulated there was nothing of a definite character to report.
Senators Kern and Shively of Indiana called on the President today and invited him to participate in the unveiling of a monument at the soldiers' home, Marion, Ind., July 3.
The President was unable to give a

definite answer on account of the un certainly as to the action of Congress President Wilson plans to attend th President Wilson plans to attend reunion of the Princeton class of "7" which he is a member, June 13. He leave Washington at midnight June and spend the entire following day Princeton.

#### TESTIFIES FOR THOMSON. Oscar J. Ricketts on Stand in Trial

for Paper Manufacturer. Oscar J. Ricketts, former public printer testified today in hehalf of the defens at the trial of Peter G. Thomson, million aire paper manufacturer of Ohio, which was resumed today before Justice Gould and a jury in Criminal Court No. 1. Mr. Thomson is charged with bribing Mai, W P. Zantzinger by sending him \$100 while he was inspecting paper furnished by Thomson's company for post card ma-

Mr. Ricketts said he had conversa tions with a former representative of the company and was informed by him of his animosity to Mr. Thomson's com-

Walter D. Randle, son-in-law of the accused, also testified. He is secretaryaccused, also testified. He is secretary-treasurer of the Champion Coated Paper treasurer of the Champion Coated Paper Company. He was present, he stated, at several conversations held by Peter G. Thomson with Mr. Zantzinger at the mill in Ohio. He said he heard Zantzinger promise to obtain the information con-cerning the former agent, for which he knew the money was sent by his father-in-law.

Rockefellers Attend Church.

#### feller and his son, John D. Rockefeller ir., attended services at the Calvary Baptist Church vesterday for the first time since Industrial Workers of the World and socialists under the leadership of

and socialists under the leadership of Upton Sinclair commenced to annoy them two months ago. The elder Mr. Rockefeller motored to the church from his home at Tarrytown, while his son walked from his house on West 54th street. The guard of police detectives was slightly larger because of the presence at the church of the Rockefellers. No disturbance occurred to mark their presence. John S. Williams Dies John Samuel Williams, a clerk ployed in the land office since 1871, died

northewest, today in the eighty-second rear of his age. At the time of his death he was in the division of surveys. Prior to his appointment to government service he was a printer and newspaper editor. Inspector Boardman on Duty.